

Please create original sentences for each of the following words, underlining the word in your sentence.

1. **pernicious** (adj.) causing insidious harm or ruin; ruinous; injurious; hurtful. *Weeds are considered a pernicious plant, often causing harm to the plants around them.*
2. **prate** (v.) to talk excessively and pointlessly; babble. *It seems like sports commentators often prate just to hear themselves talk.*
3. **profundity** (n.) the quality or state of being profound; depth. *Jimmy showed great profundity as he analyzed the poem for hours after class.*
4. **purveyor** (n.) a person who purveys, provides, or supplies. *A father is often the purveyor in a family as he supplies the family with money.*
5. **quell** (v.) to suppress; put an end to; extinguish. *The teacher quelled our disruptive behavior by screaming expletives at us.*
6. **rancor** (n.) bitter, rankling resentment or ill will; hatred; malice. *Hitler felt rancor towards the Jewish people, which lead to the Holocaust.*
7. **rend** (v.) to separate into parts with force or violence. *When Kip is angry he rends his toys into a billion parts.*
8. **rue** (v.) to feel sorrow over; repent of; regret bitterly. *I will make you rue the day you stole my cookie by throwing water balloons at you.*
9. **scrupulous** (adj.) having scruples; having or showing a strict regard for what one considers right; principled. *Dave is a scrupulous businessman and always acts in the best interest of his company.*
10. **usurp** (v.) to seize and hold (a position, office, power, etc.) by force or without legal right. *Macbeth usurped the position of king by forcing his way there through murder.*
11. Greek Root. **derm:** "skin"
Examples:
dermatologist (physician specializing in dermatology, the science of dealing with skin and its diseases),
dermis (inner layer of the skin),
epidermis (outer layer of the skin),
hypodermic (beneath the skin),
taxidermist (one who practices taxidermy, the art of preparing, stuffing, and mounting the skins of animals in lifelike form).
12. Latin Root. **scrib:** "write"
Examples:
conscript (to enroll (write down) into military service by compulsion; draft),

inscription (something inscribed (written) on a monument, coin, etc),

prescribe (literally, “write before”),

scribe (a person who writes; author; journalist).

subscriber (one who writes his or her name at the end of a document. thereby indicating approval)